

Remarks

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding office action is respectfully requested.

The rejection of claims 1-34 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 (2nd para.) for indefiniteness is respectfully traversed in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite “[a] vaccine or immunogenic composition comprising at least an isolated PspA and an isolated immunogenic fragment of PspA from *S. pneumoniae* strains from at least two PspA families, wherein the isolated PspA is from one PspA family and the isolated immunogenic fragment of PspA is from another PspA family....” Support for the amendments to the claims is found on page 7, lines 16-21, page 10, lines 15-18 and 21-30, and page 34, lines 6-8 of the present application. Applicants submit that this amendment to claim 1 makes it clear that the claimed composition contains at least an isolated PspA from one PspA family and an isolated immunogenic fragment of PspA from another PspA family. Since those skilled in the art would fully understand what is meant by the amended claims, the meaning of the claims is not indefinite. Thus, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 (2nd para.) should be withdrawn.

In view of all of the foregoing, applicants submit that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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